GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4706
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DENOTIFIED TRIBES ACT
Rajbhar Shri Hari Narayan

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the denotified tribes enlisted in the Denotified Tribes Act, 1949;

(b) whether the Government has repealed the Criminal Tribes Act, 1949 and enacted the Denotified Tribes Act in its place;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the Commissions constituted for the said purpose; and

(d) the recommendations made by the said Commission for providing facilities to the tribes listed in the Criminal Tribes Act?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a): No Act with the caption Denotified Tribes Act has been promulgated by this Ministry till date. Hence, Question does not arise.

(b): No. However the Criminal Tribes Act (CTA), 1871, which provided that if a Local Government had reason to believe that any tribe, gang or class of people is addicted to the systematic commission of non-bailable offences, it may, with the authorization of the Governor General, declare such tribe etc. as a "Criminal Tribe", was revised in 1911 and in 1924. The Criminal Tribes Act, 1924 was repealed by the Criminal Tribes Laws (Repeal) Act, 1952 on the recommendations of the Shri Ananthasayanam Ayyangar Committee.

(c) & (d) : The names of the commissions constituted for the Denotifed Tribes and gist of recommendations made by them are given in Annexure.